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Addendum

1. As I indicated in the main part of the present report, it is my intention to enlarge the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador (ONUSAL) to include an electoral component for the purpose of observing and verifying the Salvadorian general elections scheduled for March 1994 until the proclamation of final results by the Supreme Electoral Tribunal of El Salvador. This is in response, as outlined in the main report, to the request of the Government of El Salvador.

2. In order to permit ONUSAL to carry out these expanded responsibilities it will be necessary to add an Electoral Division which will operate within the framework of the existing regional offices. These offices will require a total of 38 international personnel, including administrative support staff, and 7 local staff.

3. During the polling itself, 900 electoral observers will be required. Of these, it is anticipated that 320 will come from existing personnel of ONUSAL, 330 from the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), other United Nations agency personnel in El Salvador and volunteers from selected non-governmental organizations and the remaining 250 from the United Nations Secretariat and/or Member States. There will also be additional requirements for premises, transport operations, communication and miscellaneous equipment, supplies and services, and public information programmes.

4. Should the Security Council decide to expand the mandate of ONUSAL as set out in the main part of the present report, it is estimated that the additional cost of the expansion for the 11-month period from 1 June 1993 until 30 April 1994 would be approximately $7 million. A breakdown of the estimated cost by main categories of expenditure is provided for information purposes in the annex to the present addendum.

5. It would be my recommendation to the General Assembly, should the Security Council decide to expand the mandate of ONUSAL, that the additional cost relating thereto should be considered an expense to the Organization to be borne by Member States in accordance with Article 17, paragraph 2, of the Charter of the United Nations and that the assessments to be levied on Member States should be credited to the ONUSAL special account.

Annex

Cost estimates of the expansion of the United Nations Observer Mission in El Salvador (ONUSAL) from 1 June 1993 to 30 April 1994

(Thousands of United States dollars)

1.	Civilian personnel, including travel to the mission area	5 940
2.	Premises, rental and maintenance	50
3.	Vehicle operations	65
4.	Communications	50
5.	Miscellaneous equipment	40
6.	Miscellaneous supplies, services, freight and support costs	525
7.	Public information programmes	350
	TOTAL	7 020